



Response to First Office Action
Docket No. 002.0144.US.UTL

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

5 *In re* Application of)
 Schwab, Stephen A.) Group Art Unit: 2153
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 Serial No. 09/812,841) Examiner:
) Bradley Edelman
 Filed: March 19, 2001)
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10 For: System And Method For Communicating)
 Coalesced Rule Parameters In A Distributed)
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15 Commissioner for Patents
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20 Examiner Edelman:

 In response to the Office action mailed on September 15, 2004, for the
 above-referenced patent application, please enter the following amendments and
 remarks

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

25 **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins
 on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.

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